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Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence study entitled "U.S. Intelligence Analysis and the Oil Issue, 1973-1974," which you sent to Admiral Turner on August 8, provided a valuable stimulus for our own assessment of our past performance. I had several discussions with the author, Anne Karalekas, and with Bill Miller of your staff. As I told them, I asked —a man with a good critical mind and a judicious temperament—to give me a report on the staff's criticisms and an appraisal of our performance.

He has now submitted his report to me. It is a first-rate, thorough job and, I believe, an objective one. I enclose a copy for you, and will send a copy separately to Senator Stevenson.

> Sincerely, Robert R. Bowle

Enclosure

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman Select Committee on Intelligence United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

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